

COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 21, 2006
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Stuart, Morris, and Boldt, Chair, present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners conducted the Flag Salute.

BID AWARD CRP 382822

Reconvened a public hearing for Bid Award CRP 382822 – NE 15th Avenue, NE Union Road to NE 179th Street. Bill Springmeyer, General Services, read a memo from Mike Westerman, General Services, recommending that Bid CRP 382822 be awarded to the lowest bidder.

Morris asked if this was about 17 blocks, or a little short of a mile.

Kevin Gray, Department of Public Works, said that sounded about right.

Morris asked if this included the right-of-way, or if it was just the construction.

Gray said it was just for the construction of the roadway.

Morris wanted to know what the total project would cost, considering purchase price, design, engineering, etc.

Gray said he would provide that for her. He noted that for this project the construction bids were well within the Engineer's estimate and consistent with what they've seen historically.

Morris said she was interested in what the cost-per-mile is at this point in time.

Gray said he would get that information to the board.

Stuart asked Mr. Gray if he would also provide information on how much the private share contribution has been, or will be, for the project.

Gray said he would provide that information as well.

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There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Stuart to award Bid CRP 382822 to Elting Northwest, Inc., of Clackamas, Oregon, in the total bid amount of \$3,651,501.84, and grant authority to the County Administrator to sign all bid-related contracts. Commissioners Boldt, Stuart, and Morris voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 255)

Morris asked Gray how much trouble it would be to delineate what is public and private for the road construction bid awards.

Gray said that shouldn't be a problem.

Morris said that would be a helpful learning tool for the board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Boldt asked for clarification regarding item 4 (a new ordinance entitled "Relating to Public Indexing Requirements").

Quinn Posner, Prosecuting Attorney's Office, explained that under RCW 42.17.260 local agencies are required to have an indexing of all records pertaining to the day-to-day activities of that agency. Under RCW 42.17.260, Subsection 4, it states that a local agency need not maintain such an index if to do so would be unduly burdensome. The proposed ordinance outlines the various reasons why the county feels it would be unduly burdensome. Posner added that it doesn't preclude departments within the county from maintaining an index, but it simply relieves the county of the burden of maintaining these indexes for the various reasons as cited in the ordinance.

Morris referenced the huge volume of emails and letters that the board members receive and wondered if it would be helpful to add a number in the "Findings" section of the ordinance because the term "voluminous" doesn't adequately describe it.

Posner said they could certainly take that into consideration and have further discussion if the board wished to do so.

Morris said perhaps at some point in time they could come back to amend the ordinance, adding a rough number.

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There being no public comment, **MOVED** by Stuart to approve items 1 through 11. Commissioners Boldt, Stuart, and Morris voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 255)

PUBLIC HEARING: ROAD VACATION, NE 106TH AVENUE

Held a public hearing to consider the County Engineer's Report on the advisability of vacating NE 106th Avenue abutting blocks 14 and 15 in Orchards Park Subdivision.

Barbara Kildun, Department of Public Works, stated that she had been contacted by one of the property owners who will need an interpreter; however, it appeared the interpreter wasn't going to be able to arrive in time for today's hearing. Ms. Kildun felt it was vital that the individual understand what is occurring and asked the board to delay the hearing for one week. She added that the petitioner, Mr. Erickson, had attended two previous hearings for which he needed to arrange time off work. She asked if it would be possible to take his testimony today and then have the interpreter read it to Mr. Alvarez.

Boldt said that was fine. He asked Ms. Kildun for a brief presentation today.

Kildun read the staff report and stated that staff was recommending approval of the road vacation request.

Morris asked Kildun to work with Transportation to ensure there wouldn't be any difficulty with driveway spacing for any of the parcels once the roads are vacated.

Kildun said she would. She pointed out that she had received comments stating that there were no objections to the vacations, but there was no mention at all about the driveway spacing.

Steve Erickson, petitioner, stated that as far as the driveways, the driveway is in place right where the alleyway is so if they ever put a road there, they would have to take out his whole house.

Boldt asked Mr. Erickson to point out his location on the map.

Erickson pointed to where the dotted lines are and where his driveway is located.

Boldt referenced his neighbor on Rosewood and asked if that was his neighbor's driveway.

Erickson said they don't have an actual driveway, it's just graveled in.

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Morris asked about the area to the west of Mr. Erickson.

Erickson said it was a vacant lot.

Morris asked if that was in his ownership.

Erickson said no.

Morris said that's the one where they would have to have a driveway access. She told Kildun that if that alley is what they are using to both gain access to 59th and Rosewood, then that would have to be a pretty wide lot. She wondered what the zoning was.

Erickson said the zoning is commercial and verified that the alley is on the east side of his house.

[Discussion continued]

Morris asked Kildun to check into the driveway spacing and access issue for the neighbors.

Kildun said she would do that. She said it looked like that lot, although not showing on the aerial map, may have already been divided or there is another easement above and beyond theirs. She provided another map to the board and further explained.

Morris said they need to find out if they are legal lots and what the driveway access for each one would be.

Kildun said she would look into it.

[Interpreter arrived for Mr. Juan Carlos Alvarez]

The interpreter stated that Mr. Alvarez's address is 5910 NE 107th Avenue, Vancouver, 98662. She said his concern was simply that he didn't have a clear understanding of what would occur at the back of the house.

Boldt wanted to know exactly where his house was located.

The interpreter pointed it out on the map.

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Morris suggested that they continue the hearing to the following week to allow the interpreter and staff to better explain the process to the gentleman.

Boldt asked Mr. Alvarez if that was acceptable.

The interpreter said Mr. Alvarez felt that would be best.

There being no further public comment, **MOVED** by Stuart to continue the hearing to consider a road vacation of NE 106th Avenue to February 28, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Hearing Room, Sixth Floor, Public Service Center. He added that the appropriate individuals would meet with property owners in the area and also find out about access issues for the property located on the west side. Commissioners Boldt, Stuart, and Morris voted aye. Motion carried. (See Tape 255)

Morris asked Ms. Kildun to find out where Mr. Alvarez's driveway is and what street he accesses to.

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Stuart and *Morris* commented about Commissioner Boldt's State of the County address and a job well done.

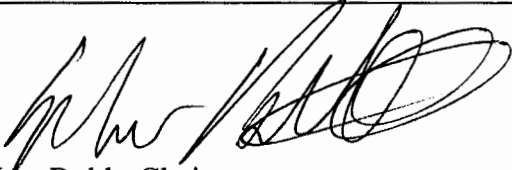
2:00 P.M. PUBLIC BID OPENINGS

Present at bid opening: Louise Richards, Board of County Commissioners Office; Bill Springmeyer, General Services-Purchasing Department; and Jim Dickman, Office of Budget

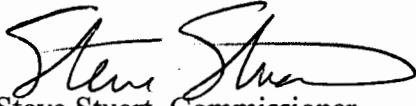
Bill Springmeyer, General Services-Purchasing, stated that for both bids 2431 and 2432 they had received an addendum the previous week and it was determined that opening the bids today would not allow sufficient time for bidding firms to respond. Therefore, it was the Purchasing Department's intent to open Bid 2431 – Pacific Community Park, and Bid 2432 – Salmon Creek Park on February 28, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' hearing room of the Clark County Public Service Center, 6th Floor. (See Tape 255)

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ATTEST:



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